

**SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
COUNTY OF SAN BENITO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOLLISTER
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA**

**ACTION MINUTES
Monday, April 21, 2008
6:00 p.m.
City of Hollister Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER:

The special joint meeting of the County of San Benito Board of Supervisors with the City Council of the City of Hollister, and the City Council of the City of San Juan Bautista was called to order by Hollister Vice Mayor Monica Johnson on April 21, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. in the Hollister City Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Board of Supervisors Chairman De La Cruz led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Roll was duly noted as follows:

PRESENT: Board of Supervisors: Chairman Jaime De La Cruz, Board Members Reb Monaco, Pat Loe, Anthony Botelho, and Don Marcus, County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson, County Counsel Dennis LeClere and Clerk of the Board Linda Churchill.

City Council of the City of Hollister: Vice Mayor Monica Johnson, Council Members Brad Pike, Sr., Pauline Valdivia, and Eugenia Sanchez, City Manager Clint Quilter, City Attorney Stephanie Atigh, and City Clerk Geri Johnson.

ABSENT: Hollister City Council Member Doug Emerson.
City Council of the City of San Juan Bautista: Mayor George Dias, Council Members Priscilla Hill, Rick Edge, Bob Paradise, and Ed Laveroni, City Manager Jan McClintock, City Attorney George Thacher and Deputy City Clerk Trish Paetz.

VERIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING:

The Agenda for the special joint meeting of April 21, 2008, with the County of San Benito Board of Supervisors and the City Councils of Hollister and San Juan Bautista, was posted on the bulletin board at the Hollister City Hall on April 18, 2008, per Government Code Section 54956.

City Clerk Johnson also acknowledged the Certificate of Posting for the San Benito County Board of Supervisors – posted on April 18, 2008 pursuant to the Certificate of Posting signed by Janet Slibsager, Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

5. Presentation from Administrative Office of Courts and Discussion regarding location for San Benito County Courthouse.

The agencies and public received a Power Point Presentation / Progress Report from Christine Patton, Regional Administrative Director at the Administrative Office of the Courts and Project Manager Rona Rothenberg pertaining to the location for a new San Benito County Courthouse.

Superior Court Judges Steven Sanders and Harry Tobias along with Court Executive Officer Gil Solorio were present.

The following members of the public addressed the agencies in support of the Fremont School site: Jessica French, President & CEO of the local Chamber of Commerce; Flo Pleyte, local resident; Jim Pleyte, local attorney; Gordon Machado, local resident; Marty Richman, local resident; Marla Pleyte, local attorney; Jim Paxton, local attorney; Paul Breen, local attorney and President of the San Benito County Bar Association; Larry Barr, local resident; George Bonacich, President of San Benito County Farm Bureau; Greg Swett, Paicines resident and member of the San Benito County Farm Bureau; Bonnie Flores-Veropaeff, local business owner; and Marvin Jones, local resident.

Discussion ensued and comments were received from supervisors and council members.

It was the consensus of both agencies that the Fremont School Site is the preferred site and the seismic study should be performed as soon as possible so this project can move forward and we do not lose the state funding to build a new courthouse in San Benito County.

No formal action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Special Joint Meeting, the meeting was adjourned by motion of Supervisor De La Cruz and second by Hollister City Council Member Pauline Valdivia at 7:38 p.m. (*Unanimous*)

JAIME DE LA CRUZ, CHAIRMAN

San Benito County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Linda Churchill, Clerk of the Board
County of San Benito